

General Assembly

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Offered by:

REP. ROWE, 123rd Dist.

To: Senate Bill No. **1343**

File No. 231

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING COMPASSIONATE CARE FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- "Sec. 501. Section 19a-601 of the general statutes is amended by
- 4 adding subsection (f) as follows (*Effective October 1,2007*):
- 5 (NEW) (f) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, no
- 6 abortion may be performed upon a minor unless (1) such minor
- 7 furnishes a statement, signed by a parent or guardian of such minor,
- 8 stating that such parent or guardian consents to an abortion to be
- 9 performed upon such minor, or (2) such consent requirement is
- 10 waived pursuant to an order of a court of probate or the Superior
- 11 Court in accordance with section 502 of this act.
- 12 Sec. 502. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2007) (a) If a minor elects not to

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13 comply with the consent requirement of subsection (f) of section 19a-14 601 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, such minor may 15 petition the court of probate in the district in which such minor resides 16 for a waiver of such requirement. The court shall hold a hearing on 17 such petition within three days of filing, excluding Saturdays, Sundays 18 and legal holidays. If such hearing is not held within such three-day 19 period, such petition shall be deemed granted.

(b) The court shall order that the consent required by subsection (f) of section 19a-601 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, shall be waived if the court finds, after hearing, that such requirement would not be in the best interests of such minor.

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- 24 (c) Any minor for whom the court of probate denies the petition for 25 waiver of consent may bring an appeal in accordance with section 45a-26 186 of the general statutes, provided such appeal shall be given such 27 precedence over other pending matters so that the court may reach a 28 decision promptly and without delay so as to serve the best interests of 29 the minor.
 - (d) Court proceedings under this section shall be confidential and shall ensure the anonymity of the minor. The parents or guardian of the minor shall not be served with the petition or appeal or otherwise notified of any such proceeding."